

# State High School Association Puts Ban on Post-Season Football Encounters

## MAD SCRAMBLE FOR 1921 TITLE IS RESPONSIBLE

Chance for an Undisputed Scholastic Champion in Future Slim

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 11.—Post-season football games were placed under the ban by the Oklahoma High School Athletic Association at its annual meeting here Saturday afternoon. The vote on the resolution was unanimous.

Last Fall decided it. While there has been strong sentiment in the association for years that the football season should end with Thanksgiving day, definite action to prohibit later games because of the long, drawn-out and bitter struggle at the close of last season when half a dozen teams scrambled in post-season encounters to decide beyond a question of doubt what school in the association was supreme in football. Scrupulous in the deciding games about the middle of December.

By banning post-season games, it was admitted by all that chances of Oklahoma ever producing undisputed state champions were slim, since the association now contains approximately 200 members, but it was pointed out that any team going through the regular season without a defeat, would have glory enough.

### For a Track Team.

It was the consensus of opinion of all those present that Oklahoma should send a team of 10 or 12 of her best high school track athletes to the nationwide track meet held annually by the University of Chicago. This was tried as an experiment by E. S. Briggs, principal of Okmulgee high school last year and nine out of the ten men placed. Ways and means of financing such a team are to be worked out.

Briggs was elected president of the state association, Hennie Owen of the University of Oklahoma was re-elected secretary and Walter Lale was elected member of the board of control, succeeding Ed Price of Elkin, senior member.

### Try to Out "Little Ten."

During the session an effort was made to amend the "little ten" from the state association. It was charged in the past winners of championships in this organization had sent themselves up as state champions, claiming that they had beaten the cream of Oklahoma teams. It was contended that since post-season games had been discontinued, this practice would become general and inasmuch as this conference practically controlled the press of the state, teams outside the "little ten" never would be given credit for what they had done. Debate waxed warm over this question but when the test came, the proposition was smothered. Rules of the association were amended to permit members of the association playing academy teams which conformed to association rules, even though they were not members. They still prohibit games with high schools not members of the organization.

## Oil League Bowling Scores

Noble.				
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Totals
Suse	141	143	141	425
Ueselman	161	180	187	528
Schnur	155	171	113	439
Hughes	158	201	201	560
McCoy	148	160	147	455
Totals	740	881	816	2437

## Petroleum League Bowling Scores

Atlantic Petroleum.				
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Totals
Lobough	92	98	117	208
Rothwell	154	132	129	415
Greer	161	154	123	438
Brooks	132	115	138	385
Green	139	174	144	457
Totals	667	673	651	1,991

## Practice Match

By-Test Gasoline Five.				
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Totals
Reynolds	181	159	170	510
Borgwald	191	157	161	509
Becker	188	137	161	486
Schroeder	194	157	150	481
Sprellman	181	185	177	543
Totals	925	843	850	2,618

## Lyman's Mixers.

1st	2nd	3rd	Totals
Reinke	173	150	323
Lyman	180	188	368
Gregory	166	158	324
Hughes	158	165	323
Brown	157	167	324
Totals	834	869	1,703

Downey Meets Carbone. CLEVELAND, Feb. 11.—Bryan Downey, Cleveland middleweight, and Frank Carbone, Pittsburgh, have been matched to box 15 rounds in a decision in Canton, February 22.

## BRITTON AS GOOD TODAY AS TEN YEARS AGO — By Edgren



JACK BRITTON, A GREAT CHAMPION WHO LAUGHS AT AGE LIMITS.

## Despite Yielding Most Hits Roy Allen of Indians Topped Pitchers of Western in 1921

Elongated Oklahoma City Twirler Bumped for Most Bingles Ever Allowed by Any Pitcher in This League, but He Tightened Up When Hits Meant Runs.

WINNING runs have been scored by a batter swinging at a wild pitch; games have been won without a hit; hitless wonders have won pennants over slugging rivals, but unquestionably the most striking antithesis in the history of the Western league is the case of Roy Allen, Oklahoma City pitcher, who, during the last season, was bumped for more hits than ever had been recorded against any other Western league pitcher since the league was born, twenty-two years ago, yet he won more games than any flier in the circuit last season.

Pitching records of the Western league, prior to 1921, did not include hits made off each man, but it is safe to assume that in those days of pitching supremacy no moundman ever was punished as Roy Allen has been punished since then, and until batters got to Allen last year for 401 bingles the highest number ever recorded had been 354 at the expense of Halla of Lincoln in 1916.

More closely analyzed, it was an average of 32 hits per game, and this table of the hardest hit pitchers for each year since 1912 shows it stands in a class by itself:

Year	Name and Club	Hits
1912	Brown, Sioux City	324
1913	Faber, Des Moines	328
1914	Thomas, Des Moines	328
1915	Halla, Lincoln	354
1916	Halla, Lincoln	354
1917	Halla, Lincoln	354
1918	Halla, Lincoln	354
1919	Halla, Lincoln	354
1920	Halla, Lincoln	354
1921	Allen, Oklahoma City	401

In three out of the four years Oklahoma City has been a member of the Western she has produced the most severely punished pitcher in the league.

But Allen has proved that a

pitcher can be bumped heavily yet can come out on top by shutting down when his mean runs. For all this hitting only 129 runs were made off him, and several others were nicked for more tallies on 169 less hits. And he was the only pitcher in the league last season to get away with twenty-five victories. He should have had several more had it not been for the fact that he was out of the game a couple of weeks and was handicapped for a longer period than that because of a broken hand.

Twenty-five victories is quite an achievement. Several years this has proved enough to lead the league, and twenty-nine is the highest point ever reached by any Western leaguer. Reagan of Omaha established this record in 1915, and Lange of Des Moines tied it the following year, but the latter had ten more games than Reagan in which to get his. The leaders by years were:

Year	Name and Club	G. W.
1910	Miller, Des Moines	48 28
1911	Miller, Des Moines	48 28
1912	Miller, Des Moines	48 28
1913	Miller, Des Moines	48 28
1914	Miller, Des Moines	48 28
1915	Reagan, Omaha	42 29
1916	Reagan, Omaha	42 29
1917	Reagan, Omaha	42 29
1918	Reagan, Omaha	42 29
1919	Reagan, Omaha	42 29
1920	Reagan, Omaha	42 29
1921	Allen, Oklahoma City	42 29

Five other Western league pitchers worked in as many or more games than Allen last year, but he topped the list for the greatest number of innings pitched, with 246.

## Joe Megee Sets Pace at Traps For Fourth Week

If Joe Megee keeps up the pace he has set in the four Tulsa Gun club shoots to date this season, he will establish one of the best records ever made over the Tulsa traps. For the third time he was returned a winner with a score of 96 out of a possible 100. He also took four other shooters into camp, shooting from 20 yards. Out of 50 shots he dropped 47 of the flying birds, with R. C. Geck in the runner-up berth with 46.

Lester Gillespie was Megee's closest opponent in the regular trap shoot. He was Megee's runner-up with 39 to his credit.

With these two events over some of the shooters didn't seem to have enough and Payne, Gillespie, Kennedy and Dorsey pulled for a longer period than that because of a broken hand.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

Regular 10 Yards.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

20-Yard Targets.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

30-Yard Targets.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

40-Yard Targets.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

50-Yard Targets.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

60-Yard Targets.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

70-Yard Targets.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

80-Yard Targets.

Name	Score
Megee	96
Gillespie	39
Kennedy	38
Payne	37
Dorsey	36
Geck	46
Payne	45
Gillespie	44
Kennedy	43
Dorsey	42

By ROBERT EDGREN.

Jack Britton, welterweight champion, is one of the most remarkable of all title holders. He is a better fighter at 37 than he was 10 years ago. Dan Morgan, his manager ever since Jack began to work up to the championship, writes me a few interesting lines about the welter king.

"Britton a Careful Liver. Britton's success is due to his careful living as well as his wonderful boxing head," says Morgan. "Jack eats plain food and plenty of it, and he is not a prohibitionist in any form. Anyone who has a case of Haig and Haig is afraid to keep it can send it to Britton. He also smokes a cigar now and then and enjoys life."

"But he walks seven miles daily, and his gymnasium work consists of from eight to ten rounds of boxing every day in the year. Anyone who wants to see how a champion works can take a trip to Billy Grupp's gymnasium any day when Jack isn't away somewhere. He will let you watch him pile into middle and heavyweights, handling them a high-class brand of both boxing and slugging."

"A long bout of 15 or 20 rounds Britton gets better as he goes along. No matter how strong or how young his opponents are Jack always has them hanging on at the finish if he doesn't knock them out."

"Britton never hurts his hands, as he knows how to twist his wrist or arm when he hits. He is a solid puncher. Britton has four different styles of boxing that no other boxer under the sun can boast of. That is one of the reasons the other boys have been trying to find his weak spot for a generation of fighters, and can't do it."

"Jack is married and has three children. Billy is 5 years old, Bobby is 3 and Betty is 1. When he isn't training for traveling for a bout you can always find him at home."

"Will Give Leonard a Chance. Britton is a real champion. He has been boxing professionally for 19 years. All the men who were his rivals have gone by, and nearly all are forgotten, but Jack hasn't even stumbled. He is soon to give Benny Leonard a chance to fight for the welterweight title. He has fought Leonard before this, and even Benny, with all his skill and hard hitting, was unable to do more than merely hold him."

"One thing about Britton is his absolute confidence—which comes from knowing just what to do in every emergency in the ring, and from a feeling that he can match his rivals in speed and strength as well as skill. There is no more clever boxer than Britton."

Britton lost the welter title to Kid Lewis of England away back in 1915, Lewis taking two decisions over him. But the next year Britton beat Lewis in a 20-round fight on a draw. In the 1917 fight Britton won the title from Britton in a 20-round bout, taking Referee Lou Hauman's decision. He fought Lewis four times in 1918, and seemed unable to overcome the flashy White chapel boy's lead in skill and hitting power.

Lewis was a great fighter at that time. He even gave Mike Gibbons a tough time, carrying the fight to Mike at top speed all the way, and came near having a claim on middleweight honors.

He's "Bull" too. But another of Jack Britton's characteristics is a bulldog grade of tenacity. He won't give up. He trained and studied fighting form and kept after Lewis until he got him again, in 1919, on which occasion he knocked Lewis out in the ninth round.

When Britton fought Benny Leonard before, the public expected to see him simply stand off and box, guarding the old title and taking no unnecessary risks. That wasn't Britton's idea at all. He preferred to fight like a champion, and he came very near giving clever Benny a boxing lesson.

Of the clever boxers who started with Britton, a Packer McFarland, retired years ago, and now weighs 180 pounds. Young Loughrey, Kid Beebe, Battling Stinger, Lew Sheppard, Art Edmunds, Reddy Moore, when the House of Commons, Rouse O'Brien, Billy Gilbey, Kid Broderick, Bert Keyes, Young Saylor, Tommy O'Keefe, Eddie Smith, Pat Moore, Willie Beecher, Leach Gross, Young Abe, Eddie Hanlon, Jack Redmond, Young Brown, Mattie Baldwin, Jimmy Duffey, Mike Glover, Kid Graves, Phil Bloom, Mike O'Dowd, Sam Robideau and scores of others who were once famous have slipped into the past and most of them have been forgotten.

At the best their names bring back only ancient and misty memories—and they were good fighters in their day. Some became champions, or were very near the titles.

## BRITTON TO DEFEND TITLE AGAINST DAVE SHADE FRIDAY NIGHT

Another Challenger From the Golden West in New York After Crown—Bob Roper Gets His "Big Chance" in Bout Monday Night With Billy Miske at Philadelphia, and Kayo Would Give Him Chance at Dempsey.

## Important Boxing Bouts This Week

Feb. 13—Pal Moore vs. Tommy Ryan 10 rounds at Philadelphia.  
Feb. 13—Bob Roper vs. Billy Miske 8 rounds at Philadelphia.  
Feb. 13—Jack Sharkey vs. Earl McArthur 10 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—Gene Delmont vs. Jim DeLoach 10 rounds at Montreal.  
Feb. 13—George Chaney vs. Joe Jawson 10 rounds at Milwaukee.  
Feb. 13—Sammy Mandell vs. Frankie Garcia 8 rounds at Memphis.  
Feb. 13—Daisy Fresh vs. W. S. Circus 10 rounds at Lorain, Ohio.  
Feb. 13—Lester vs. the champion, Walter Laurrelle 10 rounds at Troy, N. Y.  
Feb. 13—Young Bob Flaminio vs. Jim Burke 15 rounds at New Orleans.  
Feb. 13—Lula Hughes vs. Jack DeLoach 15 rounds at Philadelphia.  
Feb. 13—Sailor Freedman vs. Bobby Barrett 8 rounds at Philadelphia.  
Feb. 13—Joe Lynch vs. Ned Fitzgerald 10 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—K. O. Delmont vs. Ed Marks 12 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—Jack McCarron vs. Herman Miller 10 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—Al Walker vs. Johnny Kall 10 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—Bud Taylor vs. Harro Smith 10 rounds at LaSalle, Ill.  
Feb. 13—Gene Delmont vs. Jack Laurrelle 12 rounds at Tulsa.  
Feb. 13—Jack Britton vs. Dave Shade 15 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—Jimmy Hanlon vs. Eddie Cunningham 15 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—Tommy Nohls vs. Pepper Martin 12 rounds at New York.  
Feb. 13—Gene Tunney vs. Emmett Spauld 12 rounds at Boston.  
Feb. 13—Gene Tunney vs. Irish Johnny Curtiss 12 rounds at Fall River, Mass.

By EDWARD W. COCHRANE.

Out of the golden west comes another challenger for a world's pugilistic title—the second in two weeks to leave California in quest of a place at the top of a division of fistiana. It is Dave Shade, a highly-touted welterweight of a fighting family of three, who will clash with Jack Britton in the championship in Madison Square Garden, New York, Friday night. Will this Pacific coast sensation be any more successful than was Joe Benjamin, who was defeated by Johnny Dundee, the junior lightweight title holder, before he could gain a crack at Benny Leonard?

Unless Shade is a greater fighter than his record shows and is really the boxing sensation of the week, day, he cannot be expected to lift the crown from the brow of the grizzled old veteran who is the oldest champion in the world today, after some 17 years in the mind of Dempsey. But stranger things have happened outside of fiction. Shade is a rough, tough mauler of the type California has been noted for in years past.

This is the second time Shade has boxed Britton. Portland, Ore., June 3, 1921, they went 10 rounds and the verdict was a draw. Shade made a splendid showing against the champion in that bout and those who witnessed it predicted that with more experience the coast product would be able to outpoint the title holder. Shade went to New York shortly after that contest and engaged in several bouts, winning them handily. He has been carefully coached by experienced fighters and is believed to be ready for the supreme effort of his short and highly successful boxing career.

Shade is a clever fellow, and is said to be a hard puncher. He boxed a great deal in the 4-round game in California before he met Britton last June and found that he would have to move up to the 10 and 15-round distances if he hoped to

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Roper's opportunity.

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